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FM AMEMBASSY ROME

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INFO AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

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SUBJECT: OFFICIALS OF ROMAN FIRM CHARGED WITH ILLIEGAL ARMS
DEALINGS.

REF: (A) 75 ROME 17512; (B) 75 STATE 285430; (C) 76 ROME 2849

1. ACCORDING TO SEVERAL ARTICLES PUBLISHED IN ITALIAN DAILIES
OF MAY 15, 1977, LUIGI GUARDIGLI, WIFE MARIA PIA LAVO, AND
THIRTEEN OTHER PERSONS, HAVE BEEN ARRESTED IN SEVERAL ITALIAN
CITIES ON CHARGES OF ILLEGAL ARMS DEALINGS AND ASSOCIATING
WITH CRIMINALS. UNTIL HIS ARREST, GUARDIGLI WAS PARTNER AND
MANAGING DIRECTOR OF RA.CO.IN. S.R.L., VIA CLEMENTINA 2, ROME.
THREE OTHER PERSONS, A LEBANESE AND TWO GREEK NATIONALS ARE
BEING SOUGHT BY THE POLICE ON SIMILAR CHARGES. PRESS REPORTS
CLAIM THAT IN ADDITION TO LEGITIMATE BUSINESS DEALINGS FIRM
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SOLD ARMS AND WEAPONS RANGING FROM PISTOLS TO MISSILES AND
TANKS TO MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICAN WARRING FACTIONS. IT IS
ALSO ALLEGED THAT GROUP SOLD TO MAFIA-TYPE ORGANIZATIONS,
KIDNAPPERS, AND EXTREME LEFT- AND RIGHT-WING TERRORISTS.

2. A WTDR WAS PREPARED ON FEBRUARY 20, 1976 ON RA.CO.IN.
IN RESPONSE TO REF (B), FOLLOWING RA.CO.IN'S INQUIRY AS TO

AVAILABILITY OF THREE USED MCDONNELL-DOUGLAS DC-9-30'S.
EMBASSY HAD RECOMMENDED CAUTION IN DEALING WITH THIS FIRM
IN ITS WTDR AND IT HAD NOT BEEN MARKED FOR FTI INPUT.

ACTION REQUESTED

USDOC PLEASE MAKE NECESSARY NOTATIONS ON WTDR RECORDS.
(DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CAUTION DELTA AIR LINES, HAWAIIAN AIR-
LINES, NORTH CENTRAL, ALLEGHENY AND EASTERN, WHOM RA.CO.IN.
WAS APPARENTLY CONSIDERING AS POSSIBLE SELLERS OF USED DC-9-30'S.)
GARDNER

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